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Title : METHOD OF DETECTION AND DISEASE STATE MANAGEMENT FOR  
RENAL DISEASESCommissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Please amend claims 3 and 6 as follows:

3. (Amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the determination of the concentration of human lipocalin-type prostaglandin D synthase in a body fluid sample is performed by an immunological assay method.

6. (Amended) The method of any one of claims 1 to 3, wherein the renal diseases are associated with hypertension or lipid metabolic disorder.

Please add the following claims:

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